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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In Column 3, starting at Line 55 and ending at Line 59, please delete the formula:

and insert therefor:

$$-- \quad \Gamma_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\partial \hat{M}_i}{\partial mes_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{M}_j}{\partial mes_k} \cdot \frac{1}{N_k} \quad --$$

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$$\frac{(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{N-1} = 1)}{1) .}$$

Please replace the first equation on page 5 which is as follows:

$$\Gamma_y = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\partial M_{?_1} \partial M_{?_f} 1}{\partial mes_k \partial mes_k N_k}$$

with the following replacement equation:

$$\Gamma_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\partial \hat{M}_i}{\partial mes_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{M}_j}{\partial mes_k} \cdot \frac{1}{N_k}$$

Please replace the paragraph following the above equation with:

The variance on the linear combination yielding final  $\hat{M}_{?} \hat{M}$  is expressed by the formula:

$$f = (a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}) \cdot \Gamma \cdot {}^t(a_1, \dots, a_{N-1});$$

this quantity f attains an optimal value when its derivative according to all of the variables is null, that is, the noise's influence is minimized, i.e.,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial f / \partial a_1 = 0 \\ \partial f / \partial a_2 = 0 \\ \dots \\ \partial f / \partial a_{N-1} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$